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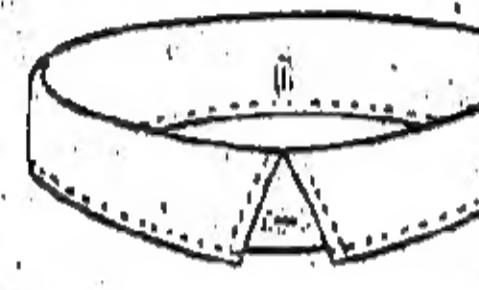
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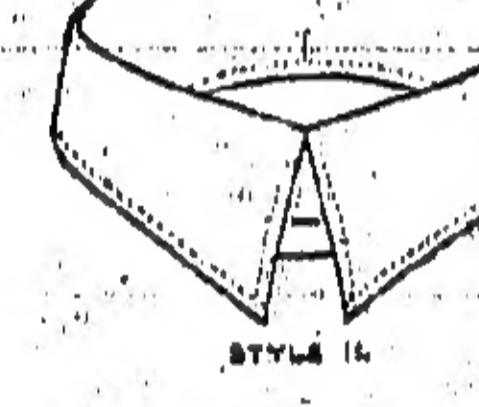


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### STRIKE MONEY.

WILL CANTON ASK FOR  
\$5,000,000?

### "CASH DEMAND" TALK.

Conflicting Reports And  
Arguments.

In the absence of official information, it is impossible to define the prospects of a peace conference with Canton.

The "China Mail" correspondent in Canton—whose report is given below—gives an unpromising outlook, speaking on good authority. On the other hand, there is the utterance by Mr. Li Yau-tsun indicating that the official conference is near at hand.

The difficulty of sorting out rumours from genuine news will be appreciated—especially in a matter of this kind. Those qualified to speak are reticent. It is therefore necessary to draw one's conclusions.

### LOAN NO GOOD?

"Compensation," Authoritatively Stated.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, June 8.

It is authoritatively stated today that the negotiations for settling the Hongkong-Canton boycott and strike will have to overcome the obstacle of large cash demands for "compensation" to the strikers.

Merely arranging a loan for harbour and road improvements, the money to be expended under the supervision of the banking and mercantile interests contemplating such an advance will not suffice. A very large sum—well above \$5,000,000—is likely to be demanded concerning the distribution of which there can be no supervision, for it is contended that this money must go to the strikers.

Neither the Nationalist Government nor the Kuomintang Party will ask to be reimbursed for the large sums paid out as strike compensation and for rice kitchens for the strikers during the last eleven and a half months, but a huge sum will be demanded for the strikers themselves.

Canton's Argument.

An opinion is firmly expressed that the Canton Government will maintain that there are still more than \$5,000 men out of work, that the walk-out was not a trade dispute but an expression of national impulse, and that therefore the strikers must have Government backing in their compensation demands.

It will be maintained that many of the strikers lost all their possessions except their clothes because Hongkong landlords, when they abandoned rented quarters, later attached their belongings for non-payment of rent. They will also maintain that many of the strikers lost the tools of their trades, and that any settlement made must put these people in a position to begin life over again—and to begin it without pauperisation threatening them.

How far Hongkong can concur in these contentions remains to be seen. No doubt the Canton terms will be subject to modification on parley, but it will be contended that the Canton Government has gone as far as it can go when it waives claim to reimbursement for moneys spent for the support of the strikers since late last June.

Signs of Hopefulness.

June 14 will witness the Dragon Boat Festival. Undoubtedly the enthusiasm with which preparations are being made is due to the hopefulness that the boycott will be declared off. Every effort will be made to show goodwill to the delegation of Hongkong merchants expected here for the festival.

An immense parade is being organised, to be headed as grand marshal by So Shiu-ching, the strike leader.

It is announced that railway travel to Canton, even from Hongkong, will be thrown open to all who pay a special \$10 entry tax, and that personal baggage will not be molested by the pickets. The payment of the special tax will permit of free going and coming from June 11 to 17. The tax goes into the strikers' fund.

### ALLEGED DAMAGE.

MRS. HIND CONDUCTS HER CASE.

### BUT LOSES JUDGMENT.

The unusual procedure of a lady conducting her own case without legal advice was witnessed in the Summary Court this morning.

Mr. W. B. Hind claimed \$400 from Mrs. Okilvie, of 4 Victoria View, for alleged damage by water to furniture in her flat.

Mr. L. D. Turner, represented

Mrs. Okilvie who was not present owing to a trip to England having been undertaken in accordance with medical advice.

Mr. Hind entered the witness box and said that she engaged two rooms, a bathroom and kitchen, both unfurnished, from Mrs. Okilvie and entered into occupation on September 1 of last year. The alleged damage in question occurred between Oct. of last year and March of this year and was caused through some of the bathroom ceiling falling and water entering from the roof. When an electric light in the bathroom fell down and went out got an electrician in he said

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### LOCAL REPORTS.

### Two-Government Conference Hinted.

The Hongkong Government has received a formal despatch from the Canton Government, asking for an official conference between the two, with a view to arriving at a settlement of the boycott.

This, said Mr. Li Yau-tsun yesterday, had been communicated to him by Sir Shou-son Chow, and the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, Canton, had appointed Mr. Eugene Chen, Mr. T. V. Soong and Mr. Chan Kung-pok as official delegates. Hongkong was asked to name its representatives, said Mr. Li, and a start could then be made.

Mr. Li, who is chairman of the Hongkong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, was entertaining to dinner at the Hongkong Hotel, Mr. Leung Pui-kei and Mr. Ma Pak-min, the "unofficial merchant" delegates who represent the four Chambers of Commerce in Canton.

### General Chang's Attitude.

Interviewed yesterday, Mr. Leung said that he and Mr. Ma had been delayed by a little extra work and, they would return to Canton to-day, instead, of yesterday.

Asked as to whether General

Chang Kai-shek (Canton's military dictator in effect if not in name) favoured an early settlement, Mr. Leung replied: There is nobody in Canton who does not favour a settlement and General Chang certainly would not dis-

like it.

Effect of Boycott.

The improvement was short-lived, as shipping business was thrown into chaos by the anti-British agitation and boycott which began in June. The nature and extent of this movement is so familiar to those resident in the Far East and in fact to the world generally, that it is unnecessary for me to enlarge upon it; suffice it to say that while it has very seriously affected our company's earnings, it must have also resulted in heavy losses to many of our loyal native supporters. I trust that this mere passing reference to the conditions in China will be sufficient to indicate the difficulties and complications which during the period under review beset shipping in these ports.

The disabilities under which

our operations were conducted were, unfortunately, not confined to Swatow and Canton where vessels under the

British flag have not been able to handle any cargo since last June,

as the trail of malicious and un-

just propaganda was in evidence

in ports at the extreme limit of

the navigable rivers of China.

Strictest Economy.

As may be anticipated therefore conditions prevailing during the last half of the year called for most careful deliberation in the management of the fleet, and every effort was directed to strictest economy.

The uncertainty of the future, how-

ever, made any attempt to formulate

a scheme impossible to

general shipping depression.

Pay And Expenses.

The important question of overhead charges has been referred to on several occasions at our annual general meetings when it has been pointed out that the scale of pay and contributions to floating staff are out of proportion to the earning power of the company, especially during the present time of general shipping depression.

Pay And Expenses.

The forecast for the 24 hours

ending at noon to-morrow reads:

East or variable winds, moderate;

overcast, some rain.

WEATHER FORECAST.

The body of a child aged about

one year was found on a buoy of

the Naval Camber at Kowloon yes-

terday. It is believed that the body

was placed there to avoid the cost

of burial. So far the identity of

the child has not been established.

### INDO-CHINA CO.

### INTERESTING SPEECH AT MEETING.

### REVIEW IN DETAIL.

### BRITISH SHIPPING POSITION IN THE FAR EAST.

A long and interesting review of the activities of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. was given at the 45th ordinary general meeting held to-day at the offices of

the general managers, Messrs. Jar-

dine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

Reference was made to the negotiations with the deck and engine-room officers, and their Guilds, on the proposed reduction of pay; other matters mentioned were the effect of the anti-British agitation, the "position being watched closely" and the changes in the company's fleet. A personal expression of opinion was given that the worst had been seen of upheavals in China.

Those present were:—The Hon.

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Mr. Bernard's address began:—

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## CHIN YUN-AO AND WU.

## FAILED TO OBEY ORDERS.

Peking, June 2.—Chinese papers are much concerned over the dismissal by Marshal Wu Pei-fu of Gen. Chin Yun-ao as head of the northern expedition on the ground that he failed to attack the Kuominchun when ordered to do so.

This action of Marshal Wu's is interpreted as a new move to placate Chang Tsolin.

Military developments north of the Capital seem to have slackened considerably.

Immediately following a military conference between him and Gov. Yen Hsish-shan, Gen. Chen Wen-shao, Gen. Dien Wei-chin and Gen. Wang Wei-wai at Hsishkiachwang while en route to Paotungfu—Marshal Wu Pei-fu suddenly on May 31 issued a circular telegram, relieving Gen. Chin Yun-ao the post of Commander-in-Chief of the First Army of the Anti-traitors' Forces. The telegram charges Gen. Chin with being guilty of waste of revenue and provisions and disobedience to instructions. The post vacated by Gen. Chin, the telegram continues, will henceforth be held by Marshal Wu himself, while the actual control of the First Army will be placed under Gen. Chen Wen-shao.

## Arrogant Behaviour.

Although the actual state of affairs remains unknown, however, speculations regarding the underlying causes of this sudden and drastic action of Marshal Wu against Gen. Chin are rife in the Chinese papers. According to one Gen. Chin has recently incurred the displeasure of Marshal Wu by his arrogant behaviour as a result of his victories and his efforts to obstruct Gen. Yang Chin-chen to organise a Third Anti-traitors' Army.

Another states that Gen. Chin has been secretly plotting against Marshal Wu. He is alleged to have been in correspondence with the military leaders of the Kuominchun and negotiated to conclude a sort of alliance with them to oust Gov. Yen Hsish-shan from Shansi province.

This circumstance has given rise to the rumour of the formation of a New Chin Clique. In order to take precautionary measures, Marshal Wu has summarily issued the order to deprive Gen. Chin of military power.

Commenting upon the action of Marshal Wu in regard to Gen. Chin, the "Sin Wan Pao" in a leading article points out that the discharge of Gen. Chin may be regarded as the beginning of another great change in the political situation.

## Not Beyond Expectation.

"The drastic and sudden action against Gen. Chin Yun-ao on the part of Marshal Wu Pei-fu may seem a little surprising, but when one takes the circumstances before this action into consideration, one may easily conclude that this is by no means beyond expectation. During the late Kuomin and Hupeh War in Honan, Gen. Chin rendered great service in bringing about the capture of Honan from Gen. Yuen Wen-chun, but, when the rewards were handed out Gen. Ken Yin-chi was awarded the Tupsanship of Honan, while Gen. Chin was only appointed Civil Governor. Naturally Gen. Chin has become very much dissatisfied and the seed of the present trouble took root at that time."

Now concurrent with his discharge as Commander-in-Chief of the First Anti-traitors' army, Marshal Wu appoints Gen. Chin as Tupsan of Shansi. While Marshal Wu considers that by this action he intends to give him a Territory to meet his desire, but Gen. Chin certainly can not assume his post there in view of the unsettled conditions in that province.

Moreover Gen. Chin has lost much of his former prestige and perhaps the only way open to him is retirement. Judging from his recent conduct, he has some ulterior purposes in view and it is quite unlikely he would be content in retirement. Therefore, it may be predicted that his discharge will date the beginning of another radical change in the present political situation."

## Chin's Dismissal Explained.

Peking, June 2.—The failure of Marshal Wu Pei-fu's troops to participate in the warfare against Kuominchun in the region of Peking is partly explained by a military communiqué issued today relating to the dismissal of General Chin Yun-ao.

It says that a telegram from Marshal Wu Pei-fu dated May 30 states that General Chin Yun-ao who had been stationed at Paotungfu for two months had been repeatedly urged to advance and join the Allies in attacking the enemy but had consistently failed to obey orders. This hesitation on General Chin's part had

## FILIPINOS IN CALIFORNIA.

## PROSPERING IN SAN LUIS VALLEY.

Alamosa, Colorado, May 19.—East and West join hands and are good neighbours and moreover they prosper in the famous garden district of San Luis Valley. So amicably have Americans, Europeans, Japanese and Filipinos worked side by side, that another influx of Japanese farmers is soon to be welcomed. They are expected to arrive early in June coming from the coast and will at once engage in specialty farming.

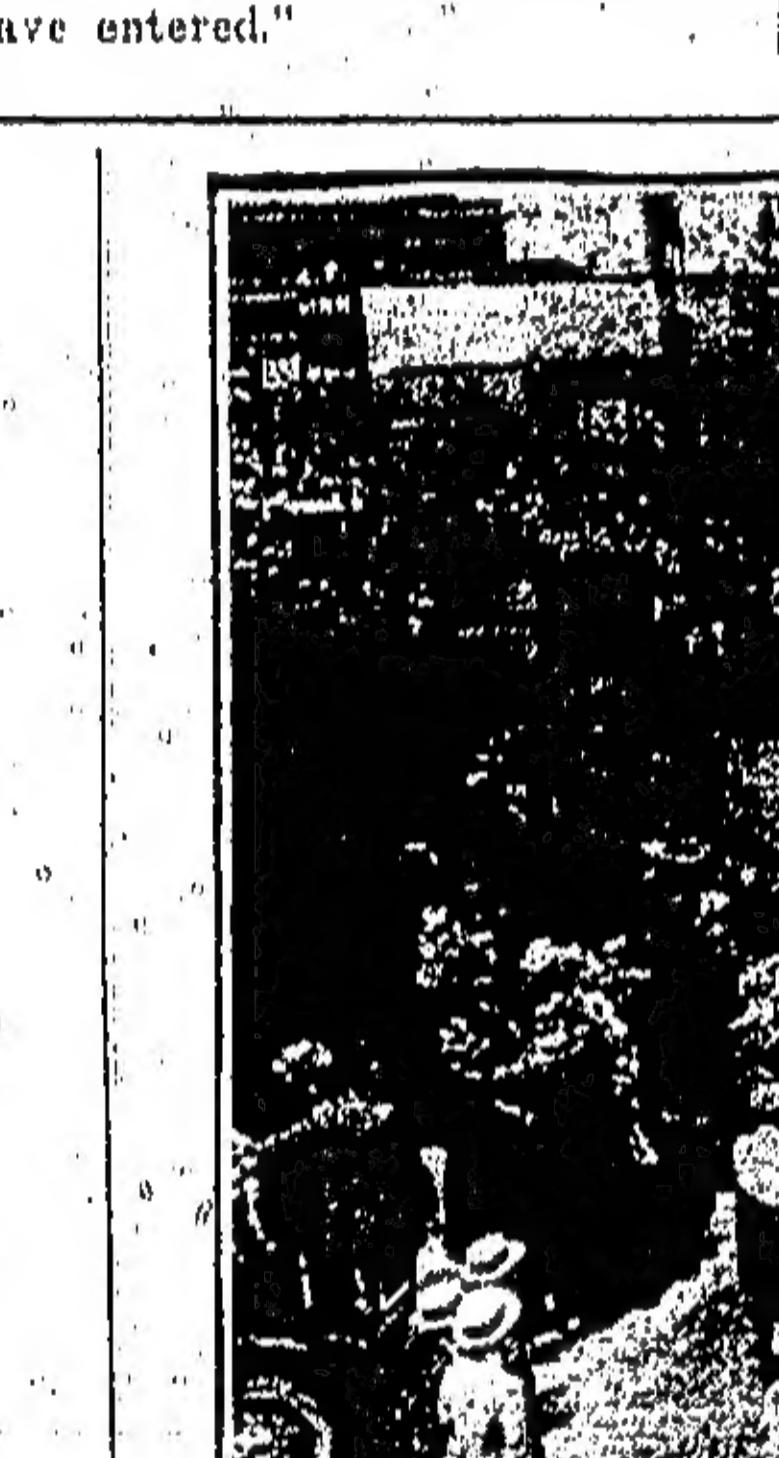
This portion of the Valley has its own golden rule. It is that everyone mind his own business so well that the towns in the area where the Spanish pushed north from Mexico, that paved streets and highways have been ordered, motor vehicles have been enlarged, model schools are building and community clubs are springing up throughout the district.

Japanese have come in large number and some Filipinos have followed and taken to farming. They have excelled in the potato and green vegetable districts that supply the large cities and some of them have become wealthy. All are prospering.

When one of the leading Japanese farmers announced that another large group would arrive soon, the news was welcomed.

Merchants told the correspondent of Denver paper that the Japanese and Filipinos had made good business better.

"We have found that they are road spaders and prompt payers," said one. "They buy the most modern implements and their farms produce abundantly. They subscribe to funds for public enterprises. They observed our golden rule and they have been successful in every line of agriculture they have entered."



A stampede parade of Canada's "wild and woolly West."

## KIUKIANG TO HAVE MOTOR ROAD.

Kiukiang, May 30.—Plans have been devised to build a motor road about thirteen miles long from Kiukiang to Kuling. Mr. Wong Yu-tam has been appointed manager of the company concerned with the consent of both the Military and Civil Governors. He is now making arrangements with local banks for a loan of \$300,000 for starting the work at once. It is estimated that a total sum of \$450,000 will be required, viz., \$400,000 for the road itself and \$50,000 for automobiles. It is stated that shares will be taken up equally by the officials and by merchants.

ayed victory for the Allies and caused expenditure for no tangible purpose.

Henceforward, the communiqué goes on to say, the duties of Commander-in-Chief of the Northern Expedition will be carried out by Marshal Wu Pei-fu himself.

According to unofficial reports, General Chin Yun-ao had dinner with Marshal Wu Pei-fu when the latter arrived at Paotungfu, when Marshal Wu asked for an explanation of General Chin's dilatoriness. General Chin was unable to explain, and Marshal Wu offered him the Tupsanship of Shensi which he declined.

The next day General Chin sent out a telegram announcing his retirement and Marshal Wu Pei-fu telegraphed the Allies announcing his dismissal.

The Cabinet states that, on receiving the news of General Chin Yun-ao's dismissal, General Tien Wei-chin, Wang Wei-wai, and Wang Wal-cheng, telegraphed Marshal Wu Pei-fu assuring him of their continued loyalty.

It is asserted that General Tien Wei-chin's whole force, of approximately 50,000 men is proceeding to the Nankou region where General Tien will be in command, thus releasing the Fengtien troops for other fronts.

## CHIEF JUSTICE'S PENSION.

## AN ASSOCIATION'S CURIOUS RESOLUTION.

Matale, May 18.—Mr. A. W. D. S. Kulatilleke, the Secretary of the Kalkawala Mahajana Sabha, moved the following resolution at a recent meeting of the Sabha:—"While ex-



"Daddy" Blair, a pioneer of the Canadian West, dressed as a cowboy when taking part in the stampede parades for which he was famous.

pressing its regret at the sudden departure from the island of the Chief Justice, Sir St. John Branch, the Kalkawala Mahajana Sabha, in a general meeting assembled, resolutely enters its protest against the payment of a pension to him out of the general revenue."

In moving the resolution, Mr. Kulatilleke said that he was simply surprised to find that none of the Colombo associations and societies had so far taken up this important matter, which affected the public purse. The unofficial members of the Legislative Council had no excuse for not taking it up in Council. He was aware that the retiring Chief Justice was one of the best judges who graced "the

## FIRE FLOATS' SPLENDID WORK AT SPECTACULAR FIRE.

## SHANGHAI GODOWN GUTTED.

Shanghai, June 4.—The second spectacular fire within two days occurred last night at Pootung when the godown of the New Tai Sing Coal Co., caught fire shortly after ten o'clock and lit up the whole surrounding vicinity with an immense blaze which required a great deal of strenuous fire-fighting to cope with.

The Customs Float, together with the Municipal Fire Float, were both despatched to Pootung while additional equipment from Central and Hongkong Fire Stations was also sent across the river to combat the outbreak.

It required the best part of two hours' hard work by the members of the brigades before the fire was finally overcome, but it was not until the No. 5 godown of the company had been completely destroyed. Another godown adjoining No. 5 was also slightly damaged and would have undoubtedly been to much a loss as its neighbour but for the efforts of the fire fighters.

## ADVERTISING BY WIRELESS.

London, May 2.—The "Daily Mail" has inaugurated a new phase in commercial history by publishing the first advertisement transmitted by wireless across the Atlantic.

It consists of a full-page advertisement of Wanamakers Stores, New York. The advertisement was transmitted in three sections. In the first section the illustrations were transmitted and in the second and third the letterpress.

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## SHANGHAI'S HEAD CONSTABLE.

## COUNCIL SENDS LETTER TO MR. W. ORTWIN.

Mr. W. Ortwin's resignation of his position as Head Constable in charge of Shanghai Mounted Police (Reserve) Headquarters, which position he has occupied since his promotion to that rank in January, 1923, has been accepted, and the following letter, conveying the thanks of the Council, has been forwarded to him by the Chairman:

Consequent upon your resignation from the Shanghai Municipal Police Reserve, I desire on behalf of the Council to place on record its high sense of appreciation not only of the valuable service you have rendered since the date of your enrolment in May, 1918, but also of the efficient and tactful manner in which you have discharged the arduous duties of Head Constable in charge of the Reserve Headquarters.

To your honorary assistance in the maintenance of law and order in the Settlement the Municipal Police have attached the greatest importance, and I desire by this letter to convey to you the Council's grateful recognition of the public spirit you have shown in lending your services to a cause so vitally related to the welfare of the Settlement.

## MASONIC AND POLITICS.

New York, May 6.—A warning to Masonic clubs, as such, to abstain from political activity was voiced by William A. Rowan, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York. In his report at the opening of a three-day communication here.

"The large membership" of the craft, said Mr. Rowan, "with its constantly increasing numbers, opens a field for political venture. For this there should be permitted an opening wedge. Masons as citizens in politics, yes; the institution of Masonry in politics, never." Shortly we will be in the midst of a political campaign, and from my own experience of the past two years, I say, keep a watchful eye, and be vigilant to see that an institution as such is not in any way involved."

Discussing fellowcraft clubs and square clubs composed of members within the Lodge, Mr. Rowan said there were several cases during his past year where fellowcraft clubs did, in the name of the Lodge, pitch the Lodge could not do, and that this could but eventually harm to the Lodge.

## SHIPS BOOST SEATTLE.

## NORTHERN ROUTE VOTED BEST.

Seattle, June 8.—The heated disputes of recent months over the sale of the Admiral Oriental Liners to the Dollar Steamship Company, have been replaced by firm conviction in most business circles that Seattle will continue to hold her place in Oriental trade.

Since the announcement that the shipping board had accepted the Dollar bid, a mild warfare had been carried on between two business groups. One was interested in the purchase of the ships by Seattle business men, declaring that the sale to Dollar interests would give the latter a monopoly of Pacific transportation. This group had enough financial backing but when the government advertised for bids, it had no shipping or

head constable in charge of the Reserve Headquarters.

Another group was convinced that the Dollar Steamship Company would continue to operate the ships to the best interests of Seattle and other northern ports. They claimed to have absolute assurance of this and consequently favoured the sale. Confronted with this divided opinion the Seattle Chamber of Commerce declared its neutrality.

The principal objection to the sale has been and is still, that the Dollar Company can transfer the boats to San Francisco and use them in the round the world service. Smaller boats would, in this case, be substituted for the Seattle-Manila circuit. The opinion is gaining ground however, according to a survey made by the United Press, that all fast trans-Pacific traffic must continue to use the port of Seattle.

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## BRITISH BOXER FUNDS.

## SHANGHAI Y.M.C.A. SUGGESTIONS.

The National Y.M.C.A. at Shanghai has recently addressed a letter to the British Boxer Indemnity Mission, presenting a number of suggestions in connection with the best means of applying the return fund and other points.

These points are:—(1) That the returned funds should be applied to works of a constructive nature which will be beneficial to the community at large such as popular education, communications, and agricultural work.

(2) That returned funds be left unconditionally at the disposal of the Chinese who may engage British as their advisers.

(3) That the present Committee on Boxer Indemnity should at least engage two women members, one British and one Chinese.

## A HANDMADE VIOLIN.

Peking, May 28.—Mr. C. Y. Tang of Peking has every reason to be proud of his handmade violin, which he has called the "Chenyo" for it is the first to be made locally by a Chinese, and what is more, it has an excellent tone and bids fair to be popular.

Already the "Chenyo" has been played in the orchestras of several Peking theatres, and has been inspected and approved by such musical authorities as Prof. Hoymans and Prof. Tonoff. The instrument will be tried at Taing Hua College at a concert there within a few days.

Mr. Tang was educated in Europe and America. In addition to being a musician, he is a journalist of no mean ability, and was at one time a member of the editorial staff of the "Far Eastern Times."

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CELEBES MARU ... Sunday, 4th July.

INDUS MARU ... Thursday, 8th July.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.

BINGO MARU ... Friday, 25th June.

BANGKOK—Via Saigon.

KOESO MARU ... Sunday, 4th July.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA &amp; VANCOUVER—Via Shanghai and Japan Ports.

AFRICA MARU (from Shan Ghia) Tuesday, 8th June.

DURBAN, DELGOA BAY, BEIRA, DARES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR &amp; MOMBASA—Via Singapore &amp; Colombo.

PANAMA MARU ... Wednesday, 23rd June.

NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.

HAVANA MARU (from Kee Hung) Saturday, 26th June.

JAPAN PORTS

AMAZON MARU ... Sunday, 20th June.

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## STRIKE PAPERS.

## WHAT LONDON PRODUCED LAST MONTH.

## LITERARY CURIOSITIES.

The receipt of a batch of London newspapers published during the general strike last month demonstrates the straits to which the great dailies were reduced, and provides some genuine freaks and curiosities unique for the world-renowned Fleet Street and other centres of journalism.

The "Daily Mirror" of May 5 consists of a single sheet, 8 inches by 12 inches, printed on a duplicating machine similar to that used in Hongkong during the local strike last June. The news is considered in less than 100 lines, excluding headings, and in a "box" is printed the following:

## "Our Point of View"

The Daily Mirror calls upon its readers to do all in their power to support the Government. Its message to all is to "Stand Fast."

The "Daily Mail" of May 8 is also a single sheet, typewritten and run off in a duplicating machine, the size being 19½ inches by 11½. There is news on both sides. It commences with 13 "Strike Don'ts," from which the following are taken:

"Don't listen to rumours, and don't repeat them."

"Don't hoard food, but don't waste it."

"Don't use your car unnecessarily."

"Don't make unnecessary telephone calls on the chance of hearing news."

"Don't waste electric light or use fires except for cooking."

"Don't believe alarmists, however positive."

"Don't get depressed or panicky."

"Don't resent unexpected restrictions or rationing."

"Don't criticise the Government."

Considering the size of the newspaper" the space given to the Stock Exchange seems out of proportion. A curio is to be found in this part:

Any person within walking distance of Whitehall who is prepared to offer beds for workers in Government departments should communicate with Captain Guest, M.P., 29, St. James's Square or telephone to him (Regent 7654) between ten and six. Accommodation will be welcomed from persons who live beyond walking distance if they can also offer facilities for travelling.

On May 6 was published news of the latest London Bulletin, evidently printed on a small hand machine. It gives 18 lines of news, and under "Stop Press" it laconically announces "No charge" and "no racing at Chester today."

The "Daily Telegraph" of May 7 comprises four pages rather less than the size of the "Overland China Mail." Its leading article is entitled "The Spirit of the People," and it is all set in italics! A column—9½ inches—is devoted to strike references in Parliament.

On May 8 the "Daily Express" appeared as one sheet, 14 inches by 9½, set in ordinary type—only all sizes of type had to be repositioned. Under "To-day" it states:

Day by day publicity is triumphing over those who sought to muzzle the Press in order to hide the futility of the general strike.

The newspapers could have bought permission to resume work by surrendering their independence.

They refused. They are meeting their difficulties without any aid from the surprised unions, and with steady success.

The British Gazette.

Interest naturally attaches to the British "Gazette," No. 5 of which is before us. It is four pages, set in ordinary type, each page being as broad as the "China Mail" but a couple of inches shorter. The official communiqué and Lord Balfour's message to the nation are set double-column—the four with four headings and the latter with three. In a "box" in the centre is the following:

"Are you on strike?"

"Have you been consulted by your Union?"

"Do you have any voice in the decision to strike?"

The general get-up of the paper and the "newsy" nature of its contents are distinctly creditable to the Government.

Uncertain Future.

In the present financial position, and with the future so uncertain, the directors naturally do not propose to recommend a dividend on either the Preferred or Deferred shares and a note of the liability in respect of the former duly appears in the balance sheet. I trust this action will be approved by you.

It is customary at these meetings for the chairman to make some reference to future prospects. However, under present conditions, any pronouncement of what the future may hold in store would be simply guess-work at the best.

## INDO-CHINA CO.

(Continued from Page 1.)

even then owners have been obliged to resort to extensive laying up, and world-wide shipping to-day may be said to be at about its lowest ebb.

In view of the very serious outbreak your directors felt compelled to submit proposals of reduced pay to the floating staff, but although a co-operative scheme was put forward, it only resulted in an ultimatum from the China Coast Officers' Guild and the Marine Engineers' Guild of China in the form of a letter giving twenty-four hours' notice of a strike. This matter is, I think, of sufficient importance for me to give you details of what transpired.

[At this stage, a résumé of the negotiations was given. A full report appears on page 6 column 5.]

Old Vessels Sold.

[Continuing, Mr. Bernard said:]

The position as it has developed is now exercising the attention of your directors and apart from the pay question, various schemes throughout the year have been devised with the object of reducing overhead charges and running expenses as far as a state of efficiency permits.

As regards the fleet, opportunity was taken during the year of disposing of some of the older steamers which had passed their period of usefulness, viz., the "Taksang," built 1892; "Loksang," 1891; "Esang," 1891; "Wosang," 1891; and "Chunang," 1898; all being sold at prices showing a satisfactory profit over their book value.

It was explained at the last annual general meeting that a contract had been entered into with the Kiangnan Dock and Engineering Works, at Shanghai for the construction of an upper river steamer to act as a feeder to the Yangtze fleet generally, and the vessel which has been named the "Klawo" was taken over from builders in October last. It was also found necessary during the year to acquire a further tow boat and four lighters for river work. All the new craft have proved satisfactory and given normal trading conditions should prove a valuable asset to the company's Yangtze organisation.

Firing On Steamers.

While several casualties of a minor nature occurred during the period under review, no serious mishap has to be recorded; but I regret to say that since the close of the year, owing to a collision in the Whangpoo River on January 11 last, the ss. "Tungshing" became a total loss.

Our thanks are due to the floating and shore staff for their good work during the year, particularly during the time of the general strike in Hongkong and Shanghai when work was carried out under exceptional difficulties.

I feel it only just to mention the patience and zeal which has been displayed by those in charge of vessels operating in the vicinity of the upper Yangtze, where lawlessness and disorder would seem to be the rule rather than the exception.

The company appreciates that employment in these waters carries with it considerable personal risk. Apart from the dangers of navigation, the indiscriminate firing on vessels by irresponsible troops created a state of affairs well nigh intolerable. This and the continued enforcement of illegal taxation on vessels of all flags, has repeatedly been represented to the officials of His Majesty's Government, and although the most sympathetic hearing has been given to our representations the abuses unfortunately still continue.

Figures In The Accounts.

Turning to the statement of accounts you will note the Building Reserve Account shows an increase of £22,837—£10 due to profit on steamers sold during the year and to which I have already referred. Contingency Account has been decreased by the transfer of £235,000 to Revenue Account.

The loss on running steamers shown in the Revenue Account includes, in addition to the items mentioned in connection with the floating staff, £58,258—£9—0 for insurance of the fleet and £43,815 in respect of pool adjustment, expenses of wharves, godowns and general charges in China.

The transfer from Contingency Account will leave the Revenue Account with a balance of £639—£6—2 which it is proposed to carry forward to next year.

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personal opinion. Commerce and politics are so inextricably wrapped up together in China, and at no time

so much as at present, that it becomes impossible to forecast what the outcome of the present state of affairs may be. It is generally thought however, and I personally share the view, that we have now seen the worst as regards upheavals in China, and the people, especially bona fide traders, are heartily tired of the never ending interference with and unjust taxation in their business.

The long imposed boycott must have denuded the Southern provinces of essential imports, while exports have only been moved under great difficulty. Military taxation has proved a heavy drag on trading and it is anticipated that even a more or less stable Government there will be a large increase in trade.

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"KARMAKA"	8,185	10th July	S'pore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"PADOA"	6,907	15th July	Marselles, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	8,885	22nd July	S'pore, Poosang, Colbo & Bombay
"RANIPURA"	16,584	24th July	Marselles & London
"DELTA"	8,087	7th Aug.	Marselles, London & Antwerp
"MACEDONIA"	11,083	11th Aug.	Marselles & London
"KALYAN"	9,141	16th Aug.	Marselles, London & Antwerp
"MANTUA"	10,911	1st Sept.	Marselles, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	9,005	2nd Sept.	Marselles, London & Antwerp
"MORIA"	10,811	25th Oct.	Marselles, London & Antwerp
"KHYBER"	9,114	20th Oct.	Marselles, London & Antwerp
"MANTUA"	10,902	13th Nov.	Marselles, London & Antwerp
"KARMAKA"	8,185	27th Nov.	Marselles, London & Antwerp
"MACEDONIA"	11,083	11th Dec.	Marselles, London & Antwerp
"DELTA"	8,087	25th Dec.	Marselles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	8th Jan.	Marselles, London & Antwerp
"KALYAN"	9,144	22nd Jan.	Marselles, London & Antwerp

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"TILAWA"	10,006	11th July	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TALAMBA"	8,018	19th July	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"SHIRALA"	7,384	22nd July	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TALMA"	10,000	3rd Aug.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

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"ARAFURA"	6,000	29th June	Manila, Iloilo, Zamboanga, Port Banga, Thasiusay Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne
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## THE CHINA MAIL.

### CHEFOO HARBOUR COMPLETION OF IMPROVEMENTS.

The breakwater having been completed in December 1920, and the mole in December 1921, it devolved on the Chefoo Harbour Improvement Commission to develop these adjuncts of the harbour in the fullest possible measure, says the Chefoo Customs report for 1925. To secure roads of approach to the mole and land for the Commission's purposes was the first necessity. Great difficulties were experienced in bringing these questions to a successful issue. Negotiations with Chinese land-owners, who had not been slow in realising that sooner or later the Commission would have to pay dearly for the omission in previous years to secure land and approaches to the mole, lasted until August. The Commission finally secured some 36 acres of land below high-water-level to the westwards of and adjoining the base of the mole, and a 60-foot-wide road leading to the main street, which besides the existing road leading to the boat harbour, will meet all requirements. The majority of the commercial element at this port having expressed itself in favour of the erection of storage godowns on the mole quay, light steel sheds of the removable type, and measuring 400 feet in length by 60 feet in width, were ordered. The Commission is furthermore committed, from resolutions passed at various meetings, to establish a system of transportation of goods to and from the mole godowns by means of trucks running on the existing rails; to construct roads of approach to the main street and to the boat harbour; to construct a seawall at the base of the mole on the northern boundary of its recently acquired property; to reclaim this property by filling it to the level of the mole surface and to construct thereon sheds for trucks, workshop etc.; to culvert to the sea the creek which empties itself at the base of the mole; and, finally, when all these works have been completed, to open the mole to traffic. Other improvements to the harbour, now in course of completion or to be undertaken, are the dredging of the North Tai Ping Wan to a sufficient depth to allow cargo-boats to work at all stages of the tide, and the dredging of the approaches to the jetties and to the mole quay, the latter to a 25-foot depth to permit of the successful berthing of deep-draught ocean steamers at the quay. The tug purchased at the beginning of the year from the Haifo Conservancy is justifying its existence by assisting deep-draught steamers to their berths and by towage and salvage when needed for these purposes. A Priestman grab-dredger, self propelling, fitted with hopper doors, was also purchased during the year and is doing as well as can be expected considering the difficult nature of the soil in the harbour. The appointment this year of a berthing pilot is not only of great material assistance in the berthing of ocean steamers, but also of great moral value for insurance purposes. Thanks, in a great measure, to all these harbour facilities, a direct ocean-steamer traffic is developing favourably.—S. and E.

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### DEATHS.

GRATIAEN.—On May 22, at the First Annexe Bungalow, Kandy, Mrs. Annie Elizabeth Gratiaen.

JAMES.—On May 30, at the European Hospital, Kuala Lumpur, Ernest Owen James.

Hongkong, Thursday, June 10, 1926.

### RENTS LAW.

Legal curiosities abound just as frequently as curiosities in literature, and if someone connected with the law could only find time to compile a list of these since British Courts of Justice were first established here he would undoubtedly place both the legal and the lay community under a deep debt of obligation to him. Such a compilation could not fail to prove of immense interest.

Amongst these legal curiosities may well be included the case decided in the Summary Court by Mr. Justice Wood yesterday. It is remarkable to find that four years after the Rents Ordinance was placed on the Statute-book, and on the very eve of its withdrawal by the Governor-in-Council, an entirely new point should crop up for judicial elucidation. That point was:—What should be the standard rent of premises, each floor of which was in separate occupation before the days of the protection of tenants afforded by the Rents Ordinance, and which were let as one complete house to a new tenant, the three previous individual tenants having quit? An aggregate rent of \$93 a month was drawn for the three individual floors, but for the house as a whole a Chinese firm was asked to pay \$190. It was contended that this latter rent was excessive and recourse was had by the Chinese firm to the Summary Court.

Without the slightest pretence to that "legal mind" so essential in commenting on cases in the Law Courts, it may be said that it is difficult to see how Mr. Justice Wood could have reached any other decision than he did—a decision, by the way, that is a model for brevity and clarity that are all too frequently ignored by Judges in general. His Lordship pointed out that the object of the Legislature was to protect exist-

ing tenants in their occupation. (That object, incidentally, is too often ignored by incoming tenants) in cases of premises the character of which has been radically altered.

The tenants of the three floors in this particular house were amply protected by the Rents Ordinance. Had they not themselves surrendered their tenancies, they would still be protected. But, having surrendered their tenancies, it could scarcely be argued that the Rents Ordinance intended to go further and to furnish favourable conditions for the new tenants. The new tenancy granted to the defendant firm in 1924 was the tenancy of a domestic tenant, and whatever character each floor may have acquired previously had become dormant until each floor again became a separate letting during the currency of the Ordinance. Judgment with costs was therefore given to the plaintiff landlord, Kandy, Mrs. Annie Elizabeth Gratiaen.

It seems to the outsider that the Chinese firm, although it might naturally have expected to secure the premises to themselves for the same aggregate sum as had previously been paid by the three separate and distinct occupiers of the respective floors, did not make absolutely sure of their ground before becoming tenants.

There surely must have been some kind of agreement between the firm and the landlord as to the amount of rent to be paid. If the firm considered that \$93 was ample, why did it assume occupancy at all? And, having become tenant of the whole, presumably at the landlord's new figure of \$190, why was an action under the Rents Ordinance not brought immediately? One newspaper report of the case states that rent was reserved pending the judgment of the Court, but the period of such reservation is not given.

In any event, as the Rents Ordinance appears doomed to be "retired," it is not likely that other cases of a similar nature will arise. But, as was said at the beginning, the point just raised has a particular interest as a legal curiosity in the annals of the local Judiciary.

### THE BOYCOTT.

#### GOVERNMENT AND THE PUBLIC.

#### WHY BE SILENT?

To the Editor of the *China Mail*.

Sir.—When there was a crisis at Home, the Government took the people into its confidence. Hongkong does just the opposite. Beyond the duty to us there any object to be gained by secrecy? The Home Government evidently did not think so.

You say that the Government has not handed out a communiqué. Everybody is anxious to know what Mr. Brennan is down here for, unless he has come on personal affairs. Has Canton asked for peace, or is it all hot air? Just what exactly has the Government done and what will it do? I am not asking for state secrets but reasonable enlightenment.

Yours, etc., T. T.  
Hongkong, June 9.

### OFFICERS' PAY.

#### FACTS ABOUT INTO-CHINA CO. STAFF.

#### REJECTED REDUCTION.

#### How The Negotiations Were Carried Out.

Publicity was given at the time to the fact that a strike was threatened by the floating staff of the Indo-China S.N. Co., Ltd., over a proposal (by the employers) to reduce salaries. The strike, of course, did not come to pass.

To-day, the Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard presided at the annual meeting of the company. He gave a full resume of the negotiations, reproduced below (separate from the report of the meeting which appears elsewhere in this issue).

It appears that the general managers and directors offered to contribute substantially to savings in expense. Mr. Bernard said:

#### The First Talk.

It seemed proper that to commence with the position generally should be discussed with the officials of the China Coast Officers' Guild and the Marine Engineers' Guild, and accordingly I had a consultation with the Hongkong secretary of the former body on July 24 when the position of the company was placed before him and a proposal made for a reduction of 20 per cent. in wages.

It was also arranged that a further meeting would be held at a later date. This took place on October 9 and the Hongkong secretaries of both Guilds were present.

At this meeting we were informed that at meetings of members in Hongkong and Shanghai it had been decided not to accept a 20 per cent. reduction.

We therefore enquired if a less reduction would be agreed to, and after further meetings of the members to discuss it, we were informed that they would not agree to any reduction.

#### Company's Proposal.

As this decision had been made by the members of the Guilds as a whole, that is to say, those voting included members of other companies as well as our own, we considered it essential to convene the meetings of our own employees and explain the position to them fully ourselves. After ascertaining

#### CO-OPERATIVE PRINCIPLE.

It will be noted that this proposal instead of being a flat 20 per cent. reduction, is based on a co-operative principle and the actual amount of sacrifice we asked the staff to make stated in dollars and cents was as follows:

#### MARRIED MEN.

#### (All Pay And Shore Allowance.)

Senior Master .....	\$653.89 contributes \$66.58
Senior Chief Engineer .....	577.50 " 57.75
Senior Chief Officer .....	377.14 " 18.85
Senior Second Officer .....	282.85 " 14.14
Senior Third Officer .....	282.85 " 14.14

#### SINGLE MEN.

#### (Pay Only.)

Senior Master .....	\$605.86 contributes \$60.53
Senior Chief Engineer .....	525.00 " 52.50
Senior Chief Officer .....	342.86 " 34.28
Senior Second Engineer .....	342.86 " 34.28
Senior Second Officer .....	257.14 " 25.71
Senior Third Engineer .....	257.14 " 25.71
Senior Third Officer .....	257.14 " 25.71

This would have amounted in all to \$10,642 per month and the general managers were prepared to contribute a similar amount. The directors also were willing to accept one-third of the ordinary fees; that is \$250, to be divided amongst them, instead of \$1,500. In this connection it must be

remembered that our present rate of pay is still on the highest scale in vogue during war years and is paid at the favourable exchange of half the sterling amount at 1/9d. and half at 2/0d. Further, the following additional floating staff expenses were borne by the company during 1925:

Home Leave and Passages .....	\$20,086 7s. 6d.
Safe Navigation Bonus .....	1,664 1s. 6d.
Wives' Passages .....	3,232 10s. 8d.
Married Men Shore Allowance .....	4,432 1s. 5d.
Pensions .....	5,093 14s. 6d.

At our meetings with the staff it will of course be understood that only comparatively few could attend. We invited discussion but were very disappointed that there was no comment except that negotiations must be carried on through the Guilds; so another consultation took place with the local Guild Officials on February 12, when we asked what action our men would take if the proposals were made effective on March 1, bearing in mind the extremely bad effect of a strike under the conditions then existing. In reply we were told that the question would have to be submitted to the members of the Guilds, and the local officials promised to convene meetings as soon as possible to consider the matter.

#### The Guilds' Reply.

What we had been all along trying to obtain was an expression of opinion from our own men but that we were unable to do and the matter had therefore again to be voted on by the Guild members as a whole although our contention was that it was a matter that rested solely between this company and its employees.

The reply came in the form of a letter dated February 26, signed by the assistant secretary, China Coast Officers' Guild, and branch secretary, Marine Engineers' Guild of China. The letter reads as follows:

ing from the Guild local secretaries that they would put no obstacle in the way of such meetings, these were held in Hongkong and Shanghai on January 13 and February 1, respectively.

At the meetings in question, after dealing in full detail with the necessity of cutting down expenses as much as possible during the very bad times the company was passing through, a proposal was put forward in the following form:

1.—Reduce the pay of all foreign employees 20 per cent. This is estimated to effect a saving to the company of £30,000 per annum.

2.—The general managers realise that in many cases this may produce a great hardship on married men with families and they therefore have decided to share this sacrifice equally with the staff. That is to say they themselves, i.e. Messrs. Jarдин, Matheson & Co., Ltd., will pay the staff 10 per cent. of their pay. This will mean the staff will receive only 10 per cent. less than at present instead of 20 per cent., but the saving to the company will still be the same.

3.—In order to assist married men below the rank of master or chief engineer, the reduction for them will be only 10 per cent. of which the general managers will refund to the men 5 per cent., thus making a reduction to the married men of only 5 per cent.

4.—The other conditions of service will remain unaltered except as a temporary measure we will be prepared to pay in cash to employees when due for Home leave the equivalent of the passages they are entitled to and Home leave pay, and leave them to make what arrangements they wish for holidays.

5.—Finally, I may say that the directors have decided to accept the reduced scale of pay as is now in force. They will "receive" altogether \$1,500 normally.

It is proposed to issue circulars announcing these reductions with effect from March 1, 1926.

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### AFTER 49 YEARS.

#### MR. LAFRENTZ'S FAR EAST EXPERIENCE.

#### DEPARTURE TO-DAY.

After forty-nine and a half years of active business life in the East, Mr. C. J. Lafrentz, of Messrs. Calbeck, Macgregor and Co., leaves for Home via Canada by the "Empress of Australia" to-day. He is 71 years of age but has no intention of retiring, having expressed his intention of taking charge of the firm's London office.

Mr. Lafrentz's first experience of Hongkong was in the early 80's when, after being engaged in work connected with tapioca estates in Singapore, Malacca and Penang, he came here for a short time, later proceeding to Shanghai and from there to Canton (in 1882). He remained in Canton for a quarter of a century, being engaged in the tea and silk business.

In 1894, Mr. Lafrentz took over the Canton agency of Calbeck, Macgregor, a business opened in Hongkong by his brother-in-law, Mr. E. W. Mitchell, some years previously. On the death of Mr. Mitchell in 1906, the Canton business was disposed of and Mr. Lafrentz took charge of the Company's interests in Hongkong. He has remained in Hongkong, apart from Home leave, ever since.

Mr. Lafrentz has naturally seen tremendous changes here since he first made acquaintance with Hongkong. At that time the hills on the island were as bare as those on the mainland and the Peak was undeveloped as a residential district. The business centre of the town, the present site of Des Voeux Road, then constituted the Praya.

Mr. Lafrentz until recent years still kept his hand in at tennis (as late as 1918 he and Mr. George Hastings carried off the Captain's tournament prize when their combined ages were over a hundred). Mr. Lafrentz was in his younger days a keen oarsman.

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## COAL CRISIS.

GOVERNMENT TAKES SERIOUS VIEW.

MORE RECRIMINATIONS.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, June 9.  
The Government takes a serious view of the coal breakdown.  
The Government's Coal committee met forthwith and considered the situation. It is believed that the plans discussed included a Government ballot of the miners.

Mr. Cook Speaks.

Mr. A. J. Cook, in a statement to-day, alleges that the coal owners' account of yesterday's conference misrepresented the whole position. Mr. Cook declares that the miners will not meet the owners again unless short-hand notes are taken. He says that the owners laid down terms for an eight-hours day and a reduction of wages to the level of the 1921 agreement and lower in some districts. The owners had not changed one iota and treated most contemptuously the questions of reorganisation, selling agencies, and the closing of uneconomic pits, etc.

The Miners' Executive have now returned to their homes and will continue the struggle. The men will not return to work except on the status quo.

Suggestion Ridiculed.

London, June 9.  
Lord Birkenhead, Secretary of State for India, speaking at a luncheon at the British Imperial Council of Commerce, referred to the coal problem. He ridiculed the suggestion of the miners' leaders that the solution was an increase in the price of coal with Home manufacturers already struggling to meet foreign competition.



LORD BIRKENHEAD

Referring to the money that the Miners' Federation was receiving from Russia, Lord Birkenhead said that whatever decision the Government might reach in this connection there must be a real distinction between private contributions and the contributions proceeding from a foreign Government. The Russian contributions were avowedly sent to foment revolution.

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(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, June 9.  
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## DOTY'S EXECUTION.

PAINLEVE ORDERS A POSTPONEMENT.

WANTS FURTHER REPORT.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, June 9.  
M. Painleve has ordered a postponement of the execution of Doty, which was fixed for to-day. This action is not due to Mr. Herrick's intervention, but has been stayed pending a further report on the case.

Previous Cables.  
Washington, June 7.  
Mr. Kellogg has instructed Mr. Myron Herrick, the U.S. Ambassador to France to intercede with the French Government on behalf of Bennett J. Doty, also known as Gilbert Clare, a private in the Foreign Legion, stated to be liable to execution on a charge of attempted desertion.

Paris, June 8.  
The case of Doty, alias Gilbert Clare, is particularly serious, according to the "Matin," which says that Doty is charged with inducing a number of his comrades to desert with him in the course of operations against the Druzes.

The French commander had to send an aeroplane to ascertain his whereabouts, and finally Doty put up a regular battle against his pursuers.

RAILWAY SMASH.  
SIR MALCOLM SEARLE AMONG THE KILLED.

THIRTY CASUALTIES.

(Reuter's Service.)

Cape Town, June 9.  
Fifteen persons were killed and fifteen seriously injured in a railway disaster on the Salt River, two miles from here.

The killed include Sir Malcolm Searle, Judge President of the Cape Provincial Division of the Supreme Court of South Africa.

The train broke in two and the rear coaches crashed against the uprights of a bridge, with the result that their sides were ripped off.

LADY KILLED.  
COLD-BLOODED MURDER IN THE STREET.

(Reuter's Service.)

Shanghai, June 9.  
A message from Chengtu dated June 7 says that Mrs. W. E. Sibley, wife of the Canadian Methodist missionary, stationed at Junghsien, was murdered in a street in Chengtu this morning.

The assailant attacked her with a big knife. The police, after a chase, captured the murderer, but it is not yet clear who he is.

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particularly to the statement made by Mr. Cook that a sum of £400,000 had been received from their "comrades in Russian mines in order to support the dependants of their British colleagues."

It was, said Lord Birkenhead, indeed a touching reflection that the miners in Russia should be prepared to work ten hours a day in order that their British comrades might not have to work eight, and that they were prepared to subscribe from their wages of perhaps 25/- in order that their British comrades should not have to get less than 40/- or 50/-.

But it had been claimed by a person speaking officially in Moscow that these moneys were being paid not by the miners out of their almost negligible wages, but by the Russian Government. The Russian intention, openly avowed, was to foment revolution. No decision on this matter had been arrived at by the British Government. But he went so far as to say that there was a real distinction between private contributions proceeding from feelings of general humanity for the cause of people who were suffering from industrial circumstances, and contributions which proceeded from a foreign Government for the purpose mentioned. Whatever conclusions might be reached by the British Government, there was no doubt that this distinction must and ought to be borne in mind.

Effect on Industry.

London, June 9.

As a result of the coal stranglehold, industry is suffering grievously. Unemployment last week, excluding the miners, amounted to 1,600,000 while textiles in Lancashire and Yorkshire are limping badly. Cotton spinners are practically at a standstill. Only three blast furnaces are at present operating in Scotland, and the shipyards are stagnant.

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## AT BUCKINGHAM.

FIRST COURTS OF PRESENT SEASON.

BRILLIANT THRONG.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, June 9.  
Their Majesties the King and Queen are holding the first of this year's Courts at Buckingham Palace this evening. Those attending, who will number about 1,000, will be drawn from Government, official and diplomatic circles. This is the custom at the opening Court of the season.

In the brilliant throng will be many ladies from foreign countries who are being presented by the wives of their Ambassadors or Ministers.

## KOREAN FUNERAL.

GREAT PREPARATIONS IN SEOUL.

(Reuter's Service.)

Tokyo, June 9.  
Final preparations for tomorrow's funeral of the Ex-Emperor of Korea are complete. Many thousands of Koreans from all parts of Japan and Korea are arriving at Seoul. The police are taking precautions against disturbances. More than 3,000 police and gendarmes are guarding the funeral route.

Soviet Mischief.

Tokyo, June 9.

It is claimed that papers seized at the headquarters of Korean malcontents in Seoul afford conclusive evidence that funds had been supplied from the Vladivostok headquarters of the Third International for the purpose of creating a Communistic demonstration and revolt on the occasion of the funeral of the ex-Emperor to-morrow.

## LEAGUE COUNCIL.

BRAZIL REPRESENTATIVE TURNS UP.

(Reuter's Service.)

Geneva, June 9.  
The Brazilian representative Senhor Franco Mello, took his seat at the public sitting of the Council-to-day.

A previous cable stated that the newspaper "Oglobo" (Rio de Janeiro) announces that Brazil is formally notifying its resignation from the League of Nations in a few weeks time, and will not participate in the Assembly Meeting in September at Geneva. It is noted that the Brazilian representative, Senhor Franco Mello was absent at Monday's meeting of the Council on the ground of indisposition, but failed to send the usual substitute.

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## LAWLESS TROOPS.

LOOT IMPORTANT MARKET TOWN.

(Reuter's Service.)

Peking, June 9.  
Much panic has been caused in the Hsiahsien region, near Paochingfu, by the appearance of a body of several hundred lawless troops, who are plundering and kidnapping without restraint.

Tuan-tsuen-chen, an important market town, was looted, and a number of captives carried off. \$200,000 ransom is demanded. One result of the disturbances has been the closing down of the Famine Relief Commission's operations in this locality, where about \$200,000 worth of dyke repair work was in hand. These repairs are urgently needed, and unless completed before the advent of the flood season it is feared the district will be again inundated. Four boatloads of soldiers have been sent down the river to quell the rioters.

## OPIUM TRAFFIC.

USUAL LIST OF GENEVA RESOLUTIONS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Geneva, June 9.  
The Advisory Committee on Opium and other Dangerous Drugs has concluded its labours, and adopted a series of resolutions, inter alia, desiring prompt ratification of the Opium Convention of Geneva, the adhesion of Turkey to The Hague Convention, insisting on the urgent necessity of the adoption of efficacious measures to control the illicit opium traffic from the Persian Gulf where the situation remains stallionary, and drawing attention to the smuggling of drugs by post destined for the Far East.

## WHAMPOA PORT.

\$20,000,000 STOCK CO. TO BE FORMED.

RAISING FUNDS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canary, June 9.  
A stock company with \$20,000,000 capital, half of which will be paid in instalments by the Nationalist Government, and half raised by selling stock to the people, is to be formed at once to raise funds for the dredging and dock development of Whampoa Harbour.

A joint committee of citizens and representatives of the Government have been working quietly on the project for many weeks, and have just made their report, which has the signed approval of Sung Chi-wan and Chan Kung-pok of the political committee of the central Kuomintang.

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An especial appeal for subscriptions will be addressed to the overseas Chinese.

## FLAGRANT BREACH.

CONFISCATION OF SALT REVENUE.

BRITISH PROTESTS.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, June 9.  
In the House of Commons, replying to the Hon. C. Rhys (Conservative, Romford) Mr. G. Locker-Lampson, Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, said that the action of the military officers in Tientsin as regards the salt duties was a flagrant breach of the Loan Agreement. Protests so far had been unavailing owing to the absence of a Central Government.

His Majesty's Government was considering further steps to ensure respect for international agreements. He pointed out that the existence of a reserve in a group of Banks, which might be drawn on for the service of the loan involved, fortunately gave them time to consider the means that could be taken to meet the crisis. Instructions were being sent to His Majesty's Minister in Peking with a view to the protection of the legitimate interests of His Majesty's subjects.

In reply to a supplementary question Mr. Locker-Lampson replied that he thought the instructions were adequate. He explained that by reserve in the Banks he meant British Banks.

## WAR DEBTS.

SENATE DOES NOT WAIT FOR FRENCH ACTION.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, June 9.  
Although no attempt will be made to secure the Senate's ratification of the French Debt Agreement until the French Parliament acts, the Senate Finance Committee has decided to proceed with the examination of the agreement.

Mr. Mellon, Secretary for the Treasury, has recommended its acceptance.

Found inside the cabin of Captain Jenruff, skipper of the s.s.

"Lama," a Chinese was charged at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with attempted larceny and sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

A Chinese who was charged before the Kowloon Magistrate this morning with possession of four empty cartridge shells pleaded that he picked them up from the ground.

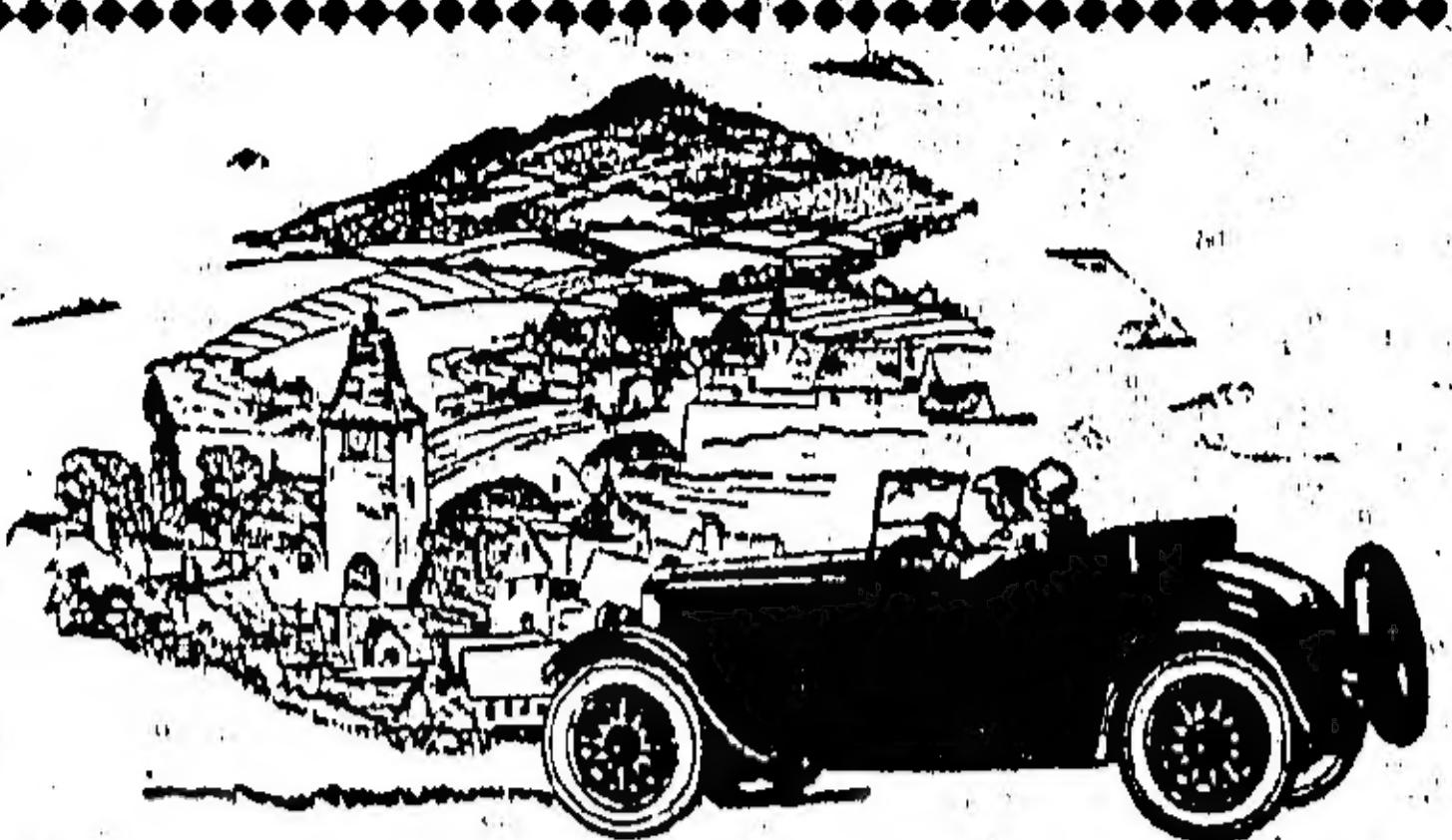
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## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Hongkong had another "clean" health return (no notifiable disease reported) on Tuesday.

The official opening of the new premises of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders will take place on Wednesday June 16 at 5.30. His Excellency the Governor will perform the opening ceremony.

According to Japanese journals the Japanese residents of Yangtszeop are very grateful that the number of Japanese police in the district has been increased, and have written an expression of their appreciation to the Shanghai Commissioner of Police.

By arrangement with the Shanghai Race Club, performances by the Municipal Band will take place in the Grand Stand enclosure on Thursday evenings during the months of July and August. The first concert will be given on Thursday, July 1, at 9.15 p.m. The open-air Brans Band, and Orchestral Concerts will commence on June 7 and June 8 respectively.

Dissatisfaction among 24 new Sikh recruits of the Shanghai Police Force on account of their rations, led to their sending in their resignations a day or two ago, a report states. The men are part of a crowd of 150 men recently arrived from India. They state that conditions here are not what they were led to believe. The other 126 men appear quite satisfied, however, and it is expected that those who resigned will also withdraw their resignations.

During April the Shanghai Fire Brigade received 71 calls as follows.—Genuine fires within the rubber godown of the Sourabaya Veem at Tanjung Perak. The building has been practically burnt out. The damage is estimated at £1,400,000. Everything was insured. The cause is unknown. Both the town and the harbour fire brigades did good work. Three thousand cases of rubber were destroyed by the flames. The rubber was insured by Messrs Tiedemann and van Kerom. The damage to the godown itself which is insured by another company for £70,000 is estimated at £15,000.

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## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. H. Berkeley, the veteran and esteemed D. O. of Upper Perak, laid down his duties last week and will be going home on retirement very shortly.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Baker left Kuala Lumpur for home on May 29. Mr. Baker's visit to England is chiefly in connection with Messrs. Baker, Morgan and Co., Ltd.'s increased activities.

The Shanghai Buddhists' Association has urged upon Marshal Sun Chuan-fang the desirability of Buddhist missionary work among students in order to counteract the spread of Bolshevism.

Mr. P. J. Mandell has accepted the appointment of District or Chief Scoutmaster to the Malacca Scouts, who are fortunate in possessing three Europeans devoting time to their interests.

The "Sarawak Government Gazette" announced the appointment of Mr. W. Harnack to be an assistant surveyor; Mr. W. W. Duncan to be assistant controller of Government Monopolies; Miss M. Tai to take seven months furlough; and Dr. J. L. Farquharson three months' special leave to England for medical treatment.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. E. O. James, manager of the Federal Dispensary, Kuala Lumpur on May 80 in the European Hospital. Mr. James had been suffering from bronchial pneumonia for some time but, at one period, was well enough to go out, says the "Malay Mail". Mr. James was fifty years of age, and was born in Newtown, Wales. He had been in Malaysia since 1911, always with the Federal Dispensary. Previously, he had spent six years in Japan. He was at one time a director of St. Heller Rubber estate, of which he was a large shareholder.

Esther Blanche Matthews was married to Eric Lewis on May 28 in a quiet ceremony at St. Andrew's Church in Shiba, Tokyo, conducted by the Rev. H. S. Spackman, assisted by Canon Forster, chaplain. The wedding was attended only by relatives and a few very close friends of the bride and bridegroom. Miss Matthews has been in Japan for the last 10 years, having been connected with both the Peers' and Peacock Schools in Tokyo as a teacher. Mr. Lewis is connected with the English Electric Company, Ltd., Tokyo. He has been in Japan for about three years.

Shareholders are reminded of the annual meeting of the Douglas S. S. Co., Ltd., at noon to-morrow, at the company's office.

Cebu, June 4.—Famine prevails in the towns of Pinamungahan, and Aloquinsan. People are now emigrating to other parts of the islands in search of work and food.

Peking, June 4.—General Yen Hsi-shan's representative continues to assert that the Kuomintang have not captured Tatungfu although they advanced considerably, but independent reports state that they have occupied Tatung and that General Yen has offered a reward of \$100,000 to the troops recapturing Tatungfu.

San Antonio, Texas, June 2.—The Mexican migratory law becomes effective to-day. All persons entering Mexico must obtain a card of identification from the Mexican consul of their city which will not be granted unless the nationality, station in life, moral standing, and in some cases the existence of a contract to work in Mexico, are proved.

The application of the new minimum wage law to the lumber industry in British Columbia is having a marked effect on the employment of Asiatics. Realising that they will soon have to pay Asiatic labour as much as white, lumbermen are dismissing their Oriental employees and taking on white men instead. This is the result which was expected of the new law when it was passed by the Provincial Parliament.

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There will be a special dinner dance at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden on Saturday next. Dancing from 8 p.m. till midnight. Fancy or evening dress is optional.

Padang, May 27.—In connection with the unrest in Padang Sidempuan and neighbourhood due to communist action, troops have been dispatched to make a display of force.

Benkulon, May 26.—According to a letter from Miller, the leader of the American eclipse expedition, the photos taken in January are a success. More stars were found than was expected. Prof. Marriot will arrive in July at Benkulon to take further night photos.

"That Life in the East is Preferable to Life at Home" is the motion to be discussed at to-night's debate at the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon. The affirmative is to be taken by Mr. W. L. Walker (proposer) and Mr. W. J. Keates, second. Mr. E. R. Price will open for the negative, seconded by Mr. H. Buxton. An interesting discussion is anticipated.

The strike at the Han River factory of the British Cigarette Company and the Special Administrative District plant has been amicably settled, and the employees will return to their work this morning, says the "Hankow Herald" of May 29.—A final conference between the management of the factories, the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs, the Commissioner of Police and the workers brought the final agreement. Both sides have made concessions in settlement of the strike.

Penang, May 28.—In the Supreme Court the estate of an English tinminner in Siam, William Henry Crompton, deceased, who was said to have become a Buddhist and married a Siamese woman in the Siamese temple, in Penang, was discussed. Letters of administration were applied for by Mr. J. B. Wilson for the brother of deceased. The parties arrived at a compromise the widow receiving the major portion of the estate.

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**"CHINA MAIL" SPORTS PAGE****THE AUSTRALIANS.**

EXCITEMENT CAUSED AT DURHAM.

**FIRST DAY'S PLAY.**

(Reuter's Service.)

Durham, June 9.  
Some excitement attended the opening of the two-days' cricket match between Durham and the Australians.

There were 16,000 spectators. The gates were shut at one o'clock and thousands were not admitted. Scores:

Durham (1st innings) 125 runs. A. A. Malley took 8 wickets for 52 runs.

The Australians (1st) 252 runs for 2 wickets. H. L. Collins made 69 and T. J. E. Andrews 110 not out.

**WORLD TENNIS.****ROYALTY TO BE PRESENT AT WIMBLEDON.****MEDALS FOR CHAMPIONS.**

(Reuter's Service.)

London, June 9.  
Their Majesties the King and Queen will be attending the opening day at the Wimbledon tennis on June 21.

All living past champions in the ladies' singles, men's singles and men's doubles have been notified by the All-England Club to be in attendance when the King will present them with jubilee commemoration medals.

**PLAY AT PARIS.**

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, June 9.  
In the semi-finals of the hard courts tennis championships, Mlle. Suzanne Lenglen beat Miss Joan Fry 6-2, 6-1. Miss Browne beat Mlle. Bouman 8-6, 8-2.

Howard Kinsey Loses.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Paris, June 9.  
The finest exhibition in the international lawn tennis tournament was the match in the quarter-finals of the men's singles, which Jean Borotra (France) beat Howard Kinsey (U.S.A.) by 2-6, 6-4, 6-1, 3-6, 7-5.

Later, Miss Mary Browne is to meet Mlle. Lenglen in the women's singles final.

**OSMUND GIVES UP.**

Mr. A. J. Osmund (billiards champion of the Colony) has scratched from the Palace Hotel (Kowloon) handicap, in which he was on the back mark of over 400. His opponent in the first round, T. Clough (owe 120) receives a walk-over.

At 9 to-night, the fixture is:—J. F. Ribeiro (owe 200) v. W. Ogley (owe 30).

Last night's results were:—S. E. Silva (200) 250, beat J. W. Lee (30) 208. Breaks:—Silva, 19, 25, 19, 17, 32, 23, 28, 38; Lee, 16, 15.

J. W. Anderson (scr.) 250, beat H. Gray (scr.) 233. Breaks:—Anderson, 16, 18; Gray, 15, 24.

**SPURIOUS NOTES.****CONCEALED IN GIRDLE AND SHOES.****YOUTH CONVICTED.**

A Chinese youth was charged before Major C. Wilson at the Central Magistracy this morning with being in possession of nine forged one-dollar notes of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.

Evidence of the discovery of five of the notes was given by a searcher who investigated something bulging from defendant's girdle on his way to board the s.s. "Hydrangea." In a further search other notes were found hidden in his shoes.

The keeper of a boarding house gave evidence of these forged notes having been tendered when asked to make a deposit before the defendant could get lodgings. These notes, witness said, were forgeries at first glance, and when questioned regarding them defendant told him he got them at Kwong Chow-wan.

Mr. R. Moodie, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank deposed to the notes being spurious.

His Worship held that the defendant knew the notes were forged by concealing them as he did and sentenced him to six months' hard labour.

**LAWN TENNIS.****S. E. GREEN RETAINS H.K.C.C. SINGLES.****YESTERDAY'S FINAL.**

The holder, S. E. Green, retained the lawn tennis (singles) championship of the Hongkong Cricket Club by defeating F. A. Redmond in five sets, in the final yesterday.

"Sammy" was champion of the Colony years ago. Both he and Redmond can be put in the veteran stage but they played good, strong tennis yesterday.

Green won by strong drives, mostly into Redmond's backhand. Redmond was not found wanting, winning six straight games to take the fourth set, when he was in danger of losing. It was when he tried to out-drive Green that Redmond failed. The winner kept plodding away, banging at every return and maintaining his offensive from the baseline, while Redmond varied his game more.

Score (in favour of Green):—4-6, 6-3, 6-5, 7-5, 9-7.

In the final of the mixed doubles handicap, E. Grimble and Mrs. Grimble (owe 8/6) beat O. C. Womack and Mrs. Childe (owe 1/6) by 6-3, 6-2. Mrs. Grimble showed a strong drive but Mrs. Childe was off colour.

The final of the open singles is announced for this afternoon.

**QUEEN'S COLLEGE.****STAFF DEFEAT PUPILS IN ANNUAL MATCH.**

The annual tennis match at Queen's College between the staff and pupils was played yesterday on the Causeway Bay ground. The Staff won by 64 games to 35 as follows:

Edwards and Mycock: beat A. S. Sufiadi and Ho Hung-yan ..... 6-5

Lost to Lau Man-kwong and Yew Man-kit ..... 5-6

Lost to Lau Fook-ki and Un Hiu-fan ..... 8-8

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Capt. Bloxham and E. J. R. Mitchell: beat C. Chos and H. Lo ..... 6-5

Lost to Lau Man-kwong and Yew Man-kit ..... 3-8

Lost to Lau Fook-ki and Un Hiu-fan ..... 4-7

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L. G. Lawrie and W. L. Dunbar: lost to C. Chon and H. Lo ..... 4-7

Lost to Lau Man-kwong and Yew Man-kit ..... 2-0

Beat Lau Fook-ki and Un Hiu-fan ..... 5-5

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Kowloon C.C. in the Tennis League this Saturday:

"A" team v. H.K.C.C. on Hongkong ground.—F. Wheeler and C. E. Millard, E. C. Fincher and E. F. Fincher, A. Leecot and N. Brambitky.

"B" team v. H.K.C.C. on Kowloon ground.—L. Jack and E. Savage, G. S. Ford and Geo. Lee, A. E. Guest and W. M. Gittins.

"C" team v. Club de Recreio, on K.C.C. ground.—A. W. Brown and H. C. McBride, D. J. Purves and F. Young.

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Wallington and Cheung:

Beat A. S. Sufiadi and Ho Hung-yan ..... 7-4

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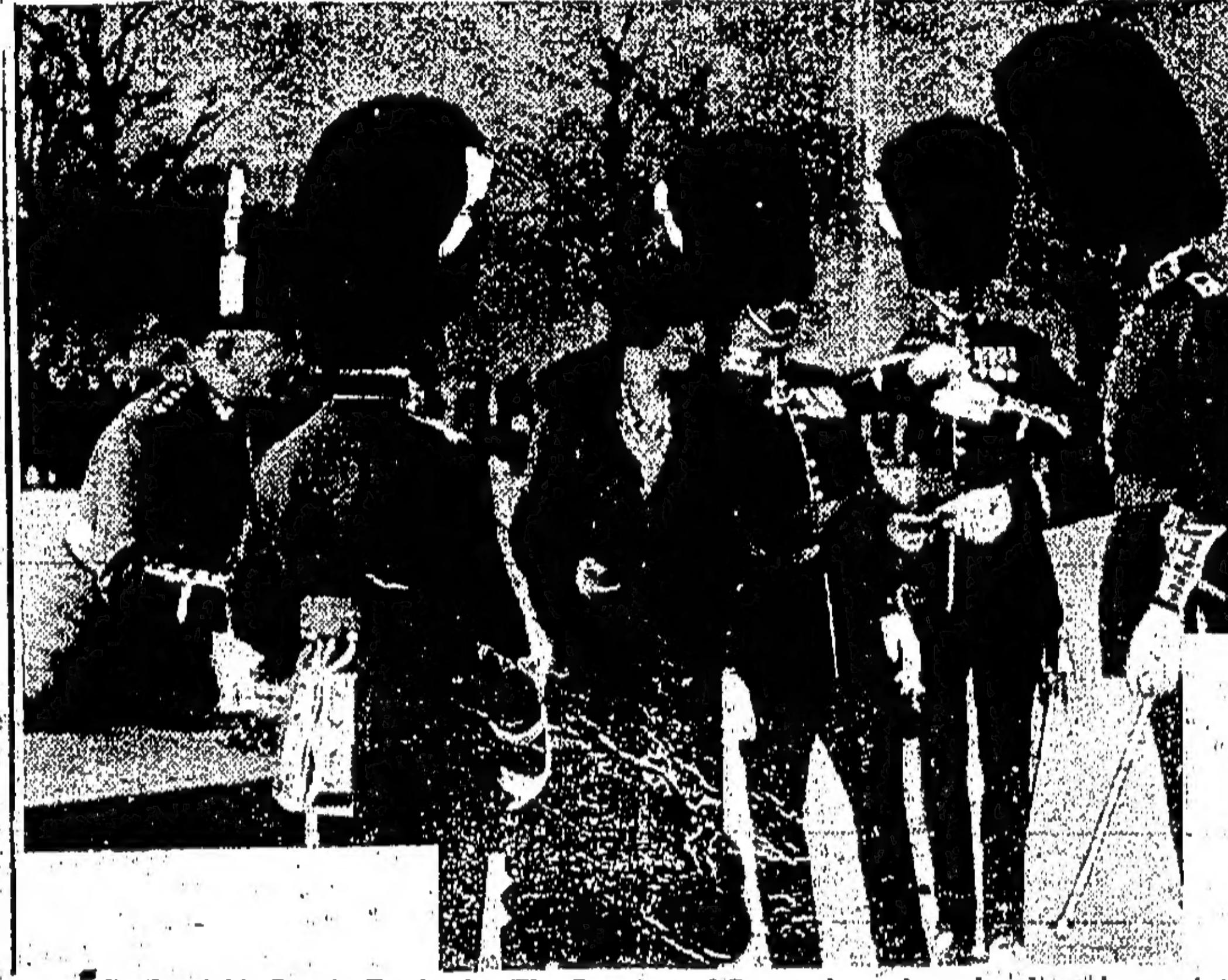
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St. Patrick's Day in England.—The Countess of Cavan shown here, handing shamrock to officers of the Irish Guards at Maida Barracks, Aldershot.



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Miss Jane Addams, a social worker, led a delegation of women asking President Coolidge to advocate the abolition of conscription and armaments. Mr. Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, who demanded a tax on betting in Britain. Sir Gilbert Parker, British novelist, has gone abroad. Mr. Henry Morgenthau, former U.S. Ambassador to Turkey, declares that Prohibition has degraded the morals of the people.



Pretty Dorothy Paine, nineteen, winner of the title "Miss Laconia" in a recent beauty contest, became engaged, went to buy her trousseau, and died mysteriously on her return. The Police are investigating the cause of her death.



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Mrs. W. W. Remington, Club leader of Minneapolis, will be candidate for Congress. Lieutenant Commander Gunpei Yamamoto has been appointed head of the Japanese Salvation Army. Mr. W. D. Upshaw, a Congressman, is sponsoring a Bill for the national censorship of cinematic pictures. Mr. George E. Brennan, Illinois, easily won the nomination for U.S. Senator on the Democratic ticket, running as an avowed "Wet."



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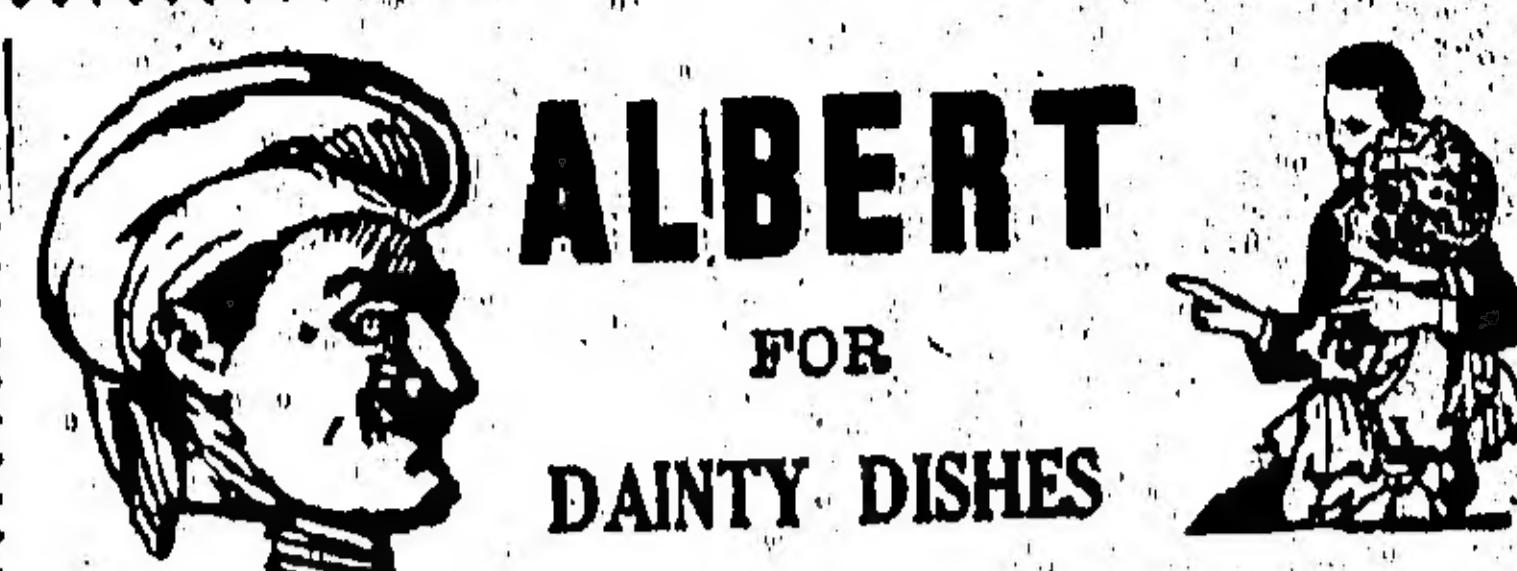
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I WANT  
WAFFLES!

WHAT?

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## JAPANESE, U.S. AND BRITAIN.

## AMERICAN INCONSISTENCY SHARPLY CRITICISED.

Tokyo, May 20.—An influential member of the House of Peers, son and heir of one of the makers of modern Japan, Count Michimasa Soyejima, a prolific writer and a diplomat, has just contributed an article under the heading of "Inconsistent America and Unstable Britain."

As a matter of fact, he wrote a series of articles under this heading last year when he returned from a trip to the United States. These articles caused quite a stir and he received letters from various parts asking him to exemplify more clearly what he meant by the alleged inconsistency of the United States and the instability of Great Britain.

In reply to these letters, he has written his latest treatise on "Inconsistent America and Unstable Britain."

## Two War Inconsistencies.

To show the inconsistency of America, he maintains, is extremely easy. He goes back to the days of the Spanish-American war and asks what justification the United States had in waging war on Spain when it was known that Spain had nothing whatsoever to do with the sinking of the Maine.

Then, he says, the United States, after this war, became an oriental Power, and, in so doing, practically abrogated the Monroe Doctrine.

"It is such conduct is not inconsistent," declares Count Soyejima, "then all I have to say is that it is strangely unaccountable for."

Then, Count Soyejima proceeds to the Great War and blames the United States severely for the delay in joining the Allies. "There was no real necessity of fighting Spain when America did so," he says. "But she ought to have come in sooner against the inhuman Germans, but kept on looking indifferently while the other Powers were desperately struggling against a system that was a veritable menace to civilisation."

Had America come into the war right after the sinking of the "Lusitania," he maintains, at least two million good lives would have been saved and Russia would perhaps never have gone Bolshevik. "This is inconsistency with a vengeance," is his comment.

Count Soyejima then blames America most for the deliberate violation of the stipulations made at the Washington Conference in regard to poison gas. He admits that other nations have also violated this stipulation, but maintains that America was the greatest sinner in this respect.

## The Poison Gas Case.

"America called the Washington Conference and it was she who proposed a ban on the use of poison gas during war," he writes.

"The Washington Government agreed to persuade other nations than the five which signed the Treaty to join the poison-gas pact. As a matter of fact, she never seriously tried to persuade anyone and then founded a poison-gas regiment, ostensibly because other nations would not join and that, therefore, America was only defending herself against them.

Japan was faithful to the agreement and then American papers declared that this was simply because Japan had no money. I know that poor Japan is, she can certainly put away ten million yen every year for this purpose. At present, however, she is spending only two hundred thousand yen per year and this merely for the study of, and experimenting in, poison gas."

Count Soyejima then taxes America with being the first to flout the ideals of her own President Wilson. America went at the last moment to participate in a war which was to end war to-day, according to this Japanese statesman, the United States is expanding her armament. The recent grand naval manoeuvres and the fortification of Hawaii, he maintains, constitute a veritable challenge and menace to Japan.

"And, as though all this were not sufficient," writes Count Soyejima, in conclusion, "the United States is now bent on increasing her air forces to a formidable extent."

Unfounded Suspicions.

The alleged "instability" of Great Britain, according to Count Soyejima, consists of the suspicion directed at Japan in China and the misgivings entertained by the British Conservative Party with regard to the alleged desire of Japan to expand.

"These suspicions should end," he says, and proceeds to pay a tribute to the aid given to Russia by Great Britain during the Russo-Japanese War, aid that "was far more than mere moral support," he confesses.

He concludes by asking his countrymen to be friendly towards America and Great Britain and reminds them that President Roosevelt's timely intervention, when Japan was exhausted after her

## PEKING UNIVERSITIES.

## MANY AGAIN ARE COFFIN SHOPS.

Peking.—Erstwhile coffin shops and lumber factories which for some months have been converted into "Ta Hsueh" or Chinese universities may soon return to their original functions as a result of the dwindling financial fortunes of Peking.

Some time ago, notably in the summer of 1924, there was a phenomenal increase in the number of universities here. The number suddenly shot up from ten to thirty, and all manner of buildings underwent sudden change in status in order that the schools might have roofs over their heads.

One of the chief reasons for the sudden rise in number it is said, was the prospect of cutting the luscious melon of Boxer Indemnity returned to China by friendly foreign Powers, with the United States setting an example. It was rumoured that every school with the status of Ta Hsueh would share in the money.

Politicians who wished to obtain the support of influential students were willing to subsidise schools and thereby "manufacture"

"To give the numerous applicants a chance to get into the nursing profession we have increased the allowed number of probationers in the Zamboanga general hospital from sixteen to twenty. Out of this number, only twelve are selected for the first year course," Dr. Aguilar explained.

It was Dr. Aguilar's opinion that, barring unforeseen circumstances, epidemic or plague will be unknown in the Islands for several years if the people continue to report all contagious cases to the provincial hospitals, not only to those under the public health service, but also to private institutions.

## LOTTERIES IN SPAIN.

## IMPORTANT SOURCE OF INCOME.

Madrid, May 20.—The more indirect taxes a Spaniard is willing to pay, the more chances he has to become a millionaire.

The principal method of indirect taxation in Spain is the lottery. Three times every month, all true Spaniards, men and women, buy lottery tickets at prices ranging in price from one to five pesetas. Each ticket is a chance to win the tenth of various prizes ranging from \$25,000 down to \$43.

Twice each year, in May and December, it is possible to win enormous sums (each being called the "gordo"). One is for \$450,000 and another for \$550,000, the tickets costing \$72 and \$142 respectively. They are always sold in tens, making approximately \$7 and \$14 per tenth.

All members of a family will combine their savings to buy either a full ordinary ticket, or a full tenth for the May and December lotteries. If the family is not big enough, several neighbours will join together with the understanding that all winnings will be shared proportionately.

The lottery is the state's most important source of income. In 1918 the net profit was 137 million pesetas. Last year it reached 337 million pesetas or almost \$50,000,000.

At a general assembly of Academicians and Associates Mr. Walter Tapper, architect; Mr. S. J. Lamorna Birch, painter; and Mr. Charles S. Jagger, sculptor, were elected associates of the Royal Academy. Mr. Jagger's works include the Royal Artillery memorial at Hyde Park Corner.

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## HEALTH OF PHILIPPINES.

## CONDITIONS HAVE NEVER BEEN BETTER.

Manila, June 4.—Health conditions throughout the Philippines was never as good as at present, the country being free from any plague or epidemic, according to Dr. Eusebio Aguilar, head of the provincial division of the bureau of health. Dr. Aguilar bases his opinion on the reports of the hospitals throughout the Philippines under the jurisdiction of the bureau.

"The greatest problem of the bureau—to educate the people on the value of hospital service—has been overcome," Dr. Aguilar declared. "This fact has contributed a great deal to putting the country on a healthy basis. Registration in the provincial hospitals under the bureau last year broke all previous records."

Nursing is becoming a profession which the women are interested in, according to Dr. Aguilar. Several applicants were refused admittance this year due to lack of accommodation, Dr. Aguilar also declared.

"To give the numerous applicants a chance to get into the nursing profession we have increased the allowed number of probationers in the Zamboanga general hospital from sixteen to twenty. Out of this number, only twelve are selected for the first year course," Dr. Aguilar explained.

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